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In response to the Final Office Action dated July 15, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 15, 2005, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.